Summer School “Advanced Spatial Data Infrastructures (SDI)”
Leuven, Belgium, July 2011

GENERAL INFORMATION

This Summerschool is organised by the University of Melbourne (Australia), SPATIALIST (a SDI-research consortium existing of the universities K.U. Leuven and V.U. Brussels, Belgium) and supported by the Global Spatial Data Infrastructure (GSDI) Association. It will take place in Leuven, Belgium in July 2011. Participants can choose between the following two courses.

1. Advanced SDI-Management course (4-8 July 2011). The main objective of this course is to get the basic knowledge, skills and attitude regarding the management of spatial data infrastructures (SDIs). Target group: (Potential) SDI-managers who did not yet start or have just commenced managing SDI-related issues.

2. Advanced SDI-Professional course (7-15 July 2011). The main objective of this course is to enhance the SDI-knowledge, improve the SDI-skills and to form a personal attitude to SDI-development. Target group: SDI-practitioners who already have some experiences, and would like to share them with others.

BRIEF SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES AND SUBJECTS

- Lectures by respected SDI and spatial data-experts
- Seminars with invited speakers and practitioners from the public and private sectors
- Technological issues (network architecture, geo-standardisation, metadata, web services)
- Organisational issues (division of labour), inter-organisational issues (coordination, task allocation)
- Economic issues (funding, pricing)
- Legal issues (privacy, intellectual property rights, security, liability), EU-Directives (INSPIRE, SEIS, PSI)
- SDI-Roadmap, Development Toolkit, and other SDI-management methods/tools
- SDI-strategy plan: Group work and presentation

VENUE

The summer school will take place in The Louvain Institute for Ireland in Europe (www.louvaininstitute.com). This venue is located in the centre of Leuven surrounded by historic buildings and pedestrian streets lined with pubs, terraces and restaurants. The Institute is situated in its own grounds with beautiful gardens. It has also spacious bedrooms for the guests. All the bedrooms have a bathroom en-suite, including a shower and toilet. All rooms receive daily towel/laundry changes and are serviced daily.

RESERVATIONS

Reservation for the course is very important as the capacity of the courses is limited in order to strengthen the interaction between the participants.

The fee for either of course is set at €2000 which includes accommodation costs for the full duration of the course and €1300 without accommodation costs.

For more information about the Summer School or making your reservation, visit www.spatialist.be.

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